

PATENT APPLICATION

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For: COOLANT, METHOD OF ENCLOSING COOLANT, AND COOLING SYSTEM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, and after entry of the Annexes to the IPER please amend
the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 3-4, 7-10 and 13-16 as follows:

3. (Amended) A coolant for fuel cells in accordance with claim 1, wherein the
rust-preventive additive includes at least one of an alkalescent additive and an acidulous
additive.

91 4. (Amended) A coolant for fuel cells in accordance with claim 1, wherein the
rust-preventive additive includes an alkaline additive and an acidic additive.

92 7. (Amended) A coolant for fuel cells in accordance with claim 4, wherein the
acidic additive is selected out of the group consisting of triazole compounds, phosphoric acid
compounds, and organophosphoric acid compounds.